

## Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes March 7, 2013

Attendance: Dave Yates  
Bob Iannaco  
Carl Dubois  
Keith Bowen  
Jeremy Griffus  
Eric Horton  
Mick Regan  
Sue Laroche  
Selectman Roger Coutu

Excused - Jo McGovern

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm with Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Minutes**

Meeting minutes for January provided by Eric Horton

Motion to accept minutes for January entered by Jeremy Griffus, seconded by Carl Dubois, motion passed 6-0-1

### **Public Input**

None

### **Report of Officers**

None

### **Report of Sub Committees**

Softball Sub Committee - Coaches meeting March 28th. Registration April 4th at 7PM and April 6th at 10AM. Men's draft is April 11th at the Recreation Center.

Future Project Sub Committee - Jeremy Griffus discussed the projects for horseshoe pits, volleyball court and bocce playing area. Total estimated cost excluding sand is around \$800.

### **Director's Report**

- Comedy Night January 26th. 320 attendees.
- MLK Basketball Tournament - 53 teams attended. A couple of Hudson teams were champions.
- 5th/6th grade dance March 9th.

- Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for March 29th. Looking for civic groups to assist in stuffing eggs.
- Comedy Night scheduled for April 13th.

## **Correspondence**

None

## **Old Business**

**Lacrosse program** - Current registration is 158. Teams are holding indoor practices at the NH Sports Complex, coaches are volunteering. Outdoor practices to begin in April at Memorial, Alvirne and Jette Field Outfield. Current cost is \$110 per child. Fiddle Sticks is \$40 per child. Discussion followed regarding equipment, team break-down, practice/game schedules, coaches training.

## **New Business**

As a follow up to previous meeting discussions regarding promotion of the Recreation Department Jeremy Griffus presented a video he produced that highlights the various recreation programs offered in Hudson.

Summer Program Coordinator - Our previous director for past 5 years will not be returning. Dave has received 4 internal candidates for interviews. Interviews will be held on March 26th and BOS approval on April 9th.

Proposed Fee Schedule - Some changes proposed as well as offering the summer program to non-residents. **Keith Bowen made a motion to recommend the fee structure as proposed for the 2013-14 fiscal year. Motion seconded by Sue Laroche. Motion passed 7-0-1. Selectman Coutu abstained.**

West Field Proposal - Dave Yates discussed the potential for new fields (soccer and baseball). Concern was raised over the proximity to the police department gun range. It was determined that more evaluation is required on the potential danger associated with the proximity. Discussion ensued regarding potential lay-out and next steps. It was determined more information is needed regarding dangers associated with proximity to the gun range.

Basketball Coordinators reported on the boys and girls season. The reports submitted by Lori Bowen and Steve Porter are available on the Hudson Recreation website.

Selectman Coutu thanked Mr. Porter for his contributions to Hudson and expressed his gratitude for all he has done to promote and work with the children of Hudson.

## Closing Remarks

- Eric Horton recommended the basketball sub-committee review the basketball director's reports as a basis for improving next year's program.
- Sue Laroche encouraged residents to get out and vote on March 12th.
- Keith Bowen thanked Steve Porter for his contributions over the past 5 years. There will be informational sessions held to discuss the feasibility study that is on the warrant this year. Also, Ladies Night Out is being held at the White Birch to support Mal's Pals.
- Jeremy Griffus wished the summer coordinator candidates luck in their interviews.
- Carl Dubois thanked Steve Porter and Lori Bowen for their contributions.

There being no further business, Jeremy Griffus entered a motion to adjourn, seconded by Sue Laroche, and motion carried 7-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Horton

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